

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, and 22-51 remain pending in this application. Based on the foregoing amendments and following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant graciously acknowledges the allowance of claims 36-51. Independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 25. Independent claim 27 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 34. Notably, while the limitations that were previously incorporated into claim 27 were cancelled and incorporated instead into claim 34, it is believed that amended claim 27 is still patentable over the combination of Mouchawar and Gold. That is, claim 34, which was found to recite patentable subject matter in the previous office action, dated March 21, 2007, was rewritten as independent claim 27.

Conclusion

Based on the foregoing, it is believed that all claims are now allowable and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding this amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (949) 724-1849.

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